Anti-Slavery Office,

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My Dear Garrison,

There are three points on which I wish to speak a word to you, viz:

1. Shall I select and print hymns to be sung at our Tuesday morning meeting, if I can find a man to play the organ and lead the singing? Perhaps I may safely take this for granted, as such was the will of the Committee last year. If you have in your mind any hymn or hymns specially suitable for the occasion, pray send them

to me at once. I think our friend Lasar will take charge of the matter, as he did last year.

2. Will Mr. Yerrinton come to report proceedings? I hope so, by all means. But if I am to look for a reporter here, I should be informed of the fact at once, for our best reporters are likely to be engaged early for Thursday week.

3. In regard to the Resolutions. The more I think of it, the more I am impressed by the conviction, that on them will depend, to a greater degree than usual, the salvation of our meeting from confusion and strife of tongues, if not from unwise action. I therefore

entreat you, my dear Garrison,
not to put off the work of prepar-
ing them to the last moment, but
to take hold of it early, giving to
it your most calm and clear
judgment. If you leave it till the
day before starting for New York,
you will necessarily write in a
great hurry, and then get only half
through, while the rest of the job
will hang as a heavy weight on
your mind, unfitting you for the
best service in the meeting, where
your will be needed every moment.
Why not take hold of the matter this
week, after you get your paper to
press? If you wait till next week,
I fear you'll not get about it till
the last moment. Do for once take
give Old Time a strong grip by the

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by the forelock, and hold on. Let me have the resolutions to put in type on the Monday before the meeting; and if you can first print them in your own office, so much the better. We shall want them for the daily papers, to be given to the reporters at the meeting.

I hope Mrs. Garrison continues to improve. Give my love to her, and remember me to your children.

Yours always,

Oliver Johnson.